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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

VIA : Deputy Director (Plans)

SUBJECT : Maintenance of Records Concerning the

Security of Strategically Important Operations in Foreign Countries under NSC Action 163/1

REFERENCE: OCDM letter of March 20, 1959

1. Paragraph four of this memorandum recommends that CIA maintain records required in support of MSC Action 153/1 as noted in reference.

2. The OCB Operations Plan for Security of Strategically Important Industrial Operations in Foreign Countries (NSC 163/1) sets forth certain foreign industrial operations the security of which against sabotage is considered of importance to the United States. CIA is represented on the OCB Working Group which concerns itself with this problem. The Operations Plan assigns courses of action in respect to the security of the following foreign industrial operations:

Chilean copper

Venezuelan petroleum production

and refining

Petroleum refineries in Aruba and

Curacao

Iron ore in Venezuela

Jamaica bauxite

Refractory bauxite calcining facil-

ities in British Guiana

Nickel production by the Nicaro plant

in Cuba

Refractory chrome and abaca supply in

the Philippines

3. The NSC 163/1 OCB Working Group has agreed that it is advisable to establish a central repository for information derived from various sources concerning the security of foreign

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facilities that are strategically important to the United States. The Office of Central Reference, CIA, would appear to be the logical place for the maintenance of such records.

- 4. The following recommendations are therefore submitted for your consideration:
 - a. That OCR undertake to maintain records concerning the security of the foreign industrial operations noted in paragraph two above with such changes as may be determined from time to time by the Working Group.
 - b. That the attached letter indicating CIA's action in this regard be forwarded to OCDM.

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Attachment

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CONCUR:

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